## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

Please rewrite the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A device (1) for compensating for pressure drop in a product pipe (7) through which a liquid flows, comprising a collapsible tube portion (2) which is connectible to said product pipe (7),

wherein

a limiting means (3),

which is inelastic in the circumferential direction and is adapted to counteract stretching of the tube portion (2) in the circumferential direction, and

which is flexible such that it is collapsible freely together with the tube portion (2) said device further comprising a casing (4), in which said tube portion (2) and said limiting means (3) are arranged, pressure means (15) arranged to apply a pressure prevailing in the casing (4), which is slightly below a normal pressure prevailing in the tube portion (2) in operation.

- 2. (Original) A device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the limiting means (3) is integrated into a tube wall (14) of the tube portion (2).
- 3. (Original) A device as claimed in claim 2, wherein the limiting means (3) comprises a reinforcement (13) integrated into said tube wall (14).
- 4. (Original) A device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the limiting means (3) is arranged outside the tube portion (2).
- 5. (Previously Presented) A device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the limiting means (3) has such a tensile strength as to prevent stretching of the tube portion (2) in the circumferential direction at a pressure above atmospheric prevailing in the same in the range of 1-10 bar.
  - 6. (Cancelled)
- 7. (Currently Amended) A device as claimed in elaim 6 claim 1, wherein the pressure means (15) is a compressed air means (15).

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8. (Previously Presented) A device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the tube portion (2) is flexible and stretchable.

9.-13 (Cancelled)